

APPOINTMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a-1928d, as amended, appoints the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) as Vice Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the 106th Congress.

APPOINTMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h-276k, as amended, appoints the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) as Vice Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Group during the 106th Congress.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT CONCERNING THE EMIGRATION LAWS AND POLICIES OF ALBANIA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT—PM 2

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 1999, the Secretary of the Senate, on February 2, 1999, during the adjournment of the Senate, received the message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the Congress of the United States:

I am submitting an updated report to the Congress concerning the emigration laws and policies of Albania. The report indicates continued Albanian compliance with the U.S. and international standards in the area of emigration. In fact, Albania has imposed no emigration restrictions, including exit visa requirements, on its population since 1991.

On December 5, 1997, I determined and reported to the Congress that Albania is not in violation of paragraphs (1), (2), or (3) of subsection 402(a) of the Trade Act of 1974, or paragraphs (1), (2), or (3) of subsection 409(a) of that act. That action allowed for the continuation of normal trade relations status for Albania and certain other activities without the requirement of an annual

waiver. This semiannual report is submitted as required by law pursuant to the determination of December 5, 1997.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, February 2, 1999.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1133. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-467, "Cathedral Way Symbolic Designation Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1134. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-465, "Department of Human Services and Commission on Mental Health Services Mandatory Employee Drug and Alcohol Testing Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1135. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-461, "Office of the Inspector General Law Enforcement Powers Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1136. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-460, "Closing of a Public Alley in Square 457, S.O. 90-364 Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1137. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-459, "Mutual Holding Company Mergers and Acquisition Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1138. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-458, "Uniform Prudent Investor Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1139. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-457, "Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1140. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-456, "Mount Calvary Holy Evangelistic Church Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1141. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-455, "Historic Motor Vehicle Vintage License Plate Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1142. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-454, "Adult Education Designation Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1143. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Colum-

bia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-434, "Vendor Payment and Drug Abuse, Alcohol Abuse, and Mental Illness Coverage Temporary Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1144. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-453, "Public School Nurse Assignment Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1145. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-422, "Board of Elections and Ethics Subpoena Authority Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1146. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-426, "Uniform Per Student Funding Formula for Public Schools and Public Charter Schools Second Temporary Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1147. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-399, "Fiscal Year 1999 Budget Support Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1148. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-418, "Arson Investigators Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1149. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-419, "Office of the Inspector General Law Enforcement Powers Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1150. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-420, "Drug-Related Nuisance Abatement Temporary Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1151. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-421, "Oyster Elementary School Construction and Revenue Bond Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1152. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, U.S. General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Streamlining Administration of Federal Supply Service (FSS) Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) Contracts and Clarifying Marking Requirements" (RIN3090-AG81) received on January 22, 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1153. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1154. A communication from the Chairman of the Armed Forces Retirement Home Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1155. A communication from the Director of the National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year